Cor. Very well.

Doct. Please you draw neere: louder the musicke there.

Cor. O my deere father,
Restoration hang thy medicine on my lippes,
And let this kisse repaire those violent harmes
That my two sisters haue in thy reuerence made.

Kent. Kinde and deere Princesse.

Cor. Had you not bin their father, these white flakes
Had challeng'd pitty of them. Was this a face
To be expos'd against the warring windes,
To stand against the deepe dread bolted thunder,
In the most terrible and nimble stroke
Of quicke crosse lightning, to watch poore *Per du*,
With this thin helme? Mine iniurious dogge,
Though he had bit me, should haue stood that night
Against my fire, and wast thou faine (poore father)
To houill thee with swine and rogues forlorne,
In short and musty straw? Alack, alacke,
Tis wonder that thy life and wits at once,
Had not concluded all. He wakes, speake to him.

Doct. Madam do you, tis fittest.

C. How does my royal lord? how fares your maiesty

Lear. You do me wrong to take me out a'th graue,
Thou art a soule in bliss, but I am bound
Vpon a wheele of fire, that mine owne teares
Do scald like molten Lead.

Cor. Sir, know ye me?

Lear. Y'are a spirit I know, when did you dye?

Cor. Still, still, farre wide.

Doct. He's scarse awake, let him alone awhile.

Lea. Where haue I bin? where am I? faire day light!
I am mightily abus'd; I should ene dye with pity
To see another thus. I know not what to say:
I will not sweare these are my hands, let's see,
I feele this pin pricke, would I were assur'd of my con-
(dition,

Cor. O looke vpon me sir,
And hold your hands in benediction ore me,

No

No sir, you must not kneele.

Lear. Pray do not mocke me:
I am a very foolish fond olde man,
Foure score and vpward, and to deale plainly,
I feare I am not perfect in my minde.
Me thinkes I should know you, and know this man,
Yet I am doubtfull: for I am mainly ignorant
What place this is, and all the skill I haue
Remembers not these garments: nor I know not
Where I did lodge last night. Do no laugh at me,
For (as I am a man) I thinke this Lady
To be my childe *Cordelia*.

Cor. And so I am.

Lear. Be your teares wet? Yes faith: I pray weepe not,
If you haue poison for me I will drinke it:
I know you do not loue me, for your sisters
Haue (as I do remember) done me wrong,
You haue some cause, they haue not.

Cor. No cause, no cause.

Lear. Am I in France?

Kent. In your owne kingdome sir.

Lear. Do not abuse me.

Doct. Be comforted good Madame, the great rage you see is cured in him, and yet it is danger to make him euen ore the time hee has lost; desire him to goe in, trouble him no more till further setling.

Cor. Wilt please your Highnesse walke?

Lear. You must beare with me:
Pray now forget and forgiue,
I am olde and foolish. *Exeunt.*

Manet Kent and Gentleman.

Gen. Holds it true sir that the Duke of *Cornwall* was so slaine?

Kent. Most certaine sir.

Gent. Who is conductor of his people?

Kent. As tis said, the bastard sonne of Gloster.

Gent. They say *Edgar* his banisht sonne, is with the Earle of